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SPAWAR Systems Center San Diego Awards Contract

SAN DIEGO — Duke University, Office of Sponsored Programs, of Durham, N.C., is being awarded a \$7,773,582, cost reimbursement /no fee contract for research and development for Closed Loop Brain-Machine Interface for Augmenting Motor Performance in support of the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency Defense Science Office in the area of Brain-Machine Interfaces. The brain takes inputs and generates outputs through the electrical activity of neurons. This effort includes creating new technologies for augmenting human performance through the ability to access these codes in the brain in real time and integrate them into peripheral device or system operations. This contract has a base period of 18 months, and includes two options which, if exercised, would bring the cumulative value of this contract to \$25,932,765. Work will be performed in Durham, North Carolina (56%); Brooklyn, New York (13%); Cambridge, Massachusetts (14%), Dallas, Texas (5%), and Gainesville, Florida (12%). The period of performance is from June 27, 2002 through December 26, 2003. If both options are exercised the period of performance may extend through June 26, 2007. Contract funds will not expire at the end of the current fiscal year. This contract was competitively procured with numerous offers received via the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency Defense Sciences Office web site, <http://www.darpa.mil/baa>, under BAA number 01-42. The Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center San Diego is the contracting activity (N66001-02-C-8022).

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